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SUBJECT Praga V-3-S Truck

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2. The engine of this truck is a six-cylinder, air-cooled, 100 HP diesel type. The truck has excellent climbing efficiency and a maximum speed of 60 km. per hour. It can tow, apart from its full load, a 5,500 kg. load. Its own weight is kept very low. The frame is sturdy for terrain usage and the brakes are well sealed against water penetration. By using chains and cogwheels for transfer of power to all six wheels the ground clearance is lifted to 400 millimeters, which is advantageous for terrain driving. Deep ditches can be overcome easily if crossed at a proper angle because of the good longitudinal and transversal stability of the truck. 25X1
3. The V-3-S can be adapted to the following special purposes: mobile workshop, wrecker (with winch and crane), tank truck, rocket launcher carrier, and transport truck with tilting platform. 25X1
4. Assembly line production of the V-3-S truck was started in 1955 after the development center of the Klement Gottwald Automobile Works National Enterprise in Prague in 1952 had offered for production a new type of three-ton terrain vehicle and the prototype had been tested and gradually improved. 25X1

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